



Bradenton Police Department

2014 Annual Report

Michael Radzilowski

Chief of Police

This report is an account of the Agency's activity for the 2014 calendar year. As such, positions are reflective as they were on December 31, 2014.

The mission of the Bradenton Police Department is to eliminate crime and the fear of crime, to enhance the quality of life for our stakeholders and to hold ourselves to the highest professional standards of performance and ethics. The Bradenton Police Department is a professional driven organization that will partner with the community to make the City of Bradenton a better place to live, work, visit or conduct business.

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Message from the Mayor and Police Commissioner



As Mayor and Police Commissioner of the City of Bradenton, I would like to congratulate the men and women of the City of Bradenton Police Department for yet another successful year. The work and dedication of our police officers, professional support staff, and community partners ensured that the City of Bradenton remained a remarkably safe community by reducing Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) Part I Crimes by 1.7% in 2014.

The City of Bradenton has experienced a downtown rebirth since the opening of the Bradenton Riverwalk Park in October 2012. The Riverwalk has gained recognition not only nationally, but internationally as well. Representatives from cities all over have visited the park with hopes of emulating its design. The downtown district has experienced unprecedented growth in the number of restaurants, taverns, and retail establishments which were attracted to the area because of the success of existing establishments on Old Main Street, the Village of the Arts, the new Manatee Players Theatre, Saturday Farmer's Market, South Florida Museum, Cultural Festivals, and Main Street Live.

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As we move forward to 2015, I would be remiss if I didn't thank the citizens of the City of Bradenton for their continued support and confidence. The strong partnership between our citizens and the Police Department is what exemplifies the City of Bradenton as a wonderful destination for people to live, work, and visit.

Sincerely,

Wayne H. Poston

Mayor, City of Bradenton

City of Bradenton City Council



Councilman Gene Gallo
Ward 1



Vice-Mayor/Councilman
Gene Brown
Ward 2



Councilman Patrick Roff
Ward 3



Councilman Bemis Smith
Ward 4



Councilman Harold Byrd, Jr.
Ward 5

Message from the Chief of Police



Greetings,

I am pleased to present the City of Bradenton Police Department's 2014 Annual Report. This report provides our citizens and community partners with the opportunity to review the Department's activities and accomplishments for the past year. In this report you will find comprehensive information and statistics related to Bradenton Police Department's activity.

In 2014, through hard work and the selfless dedication of our officers and civilian staff, the City of Bradenton has once again seen a 1.7% decrease in Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) Part 1 Crimes. In 2003, the Bradenton Police Department implemented the concept of community policing. Since then, the City of Bradenton has enjoyed a 38% decrease in UCR Part 1 crimes overall. This is a direct result our partnership with the community. I firmly believe that without this partnership, the effectiveness of the Police Department would be significantly hampered.

Each year the Bradenton Police Department seeks to improve upon the use of cutting edge technology and equipment in the prevention of crime. In 2014 the Bradenton Police Department purchased nine RAPID-ID units. A new technology, the RAPID-ID units are electronic fingerprint reading devices that use advanced fingerprint matching techniques to provide positive identification of individuals at car crashes, routine traffic stops, and during arrests. Technology such as this has improved officer safety and productivity by allowing them to quickly know who they are dealing with.

2015 will certainly bring new challenges that must be met with policing strategies that address the City's growing population and the needs of those that are most vulnerable: our youth and our aged. Because of criminal activity associated to the ever changing technology, we will have to work smarter and harder in order to prevent crime trends from rising.

As we move forward, we will continue to strive to build upon the accomplishments made in 2014. We are also committed to further strengthening our trust and partnership with each of you. It is both a pleasure and privilege to serve as the Chief of Police for the Bradenton Police Department and the "Friendly City" of Bradenton.

Sincerely,

Michael Radzilowski

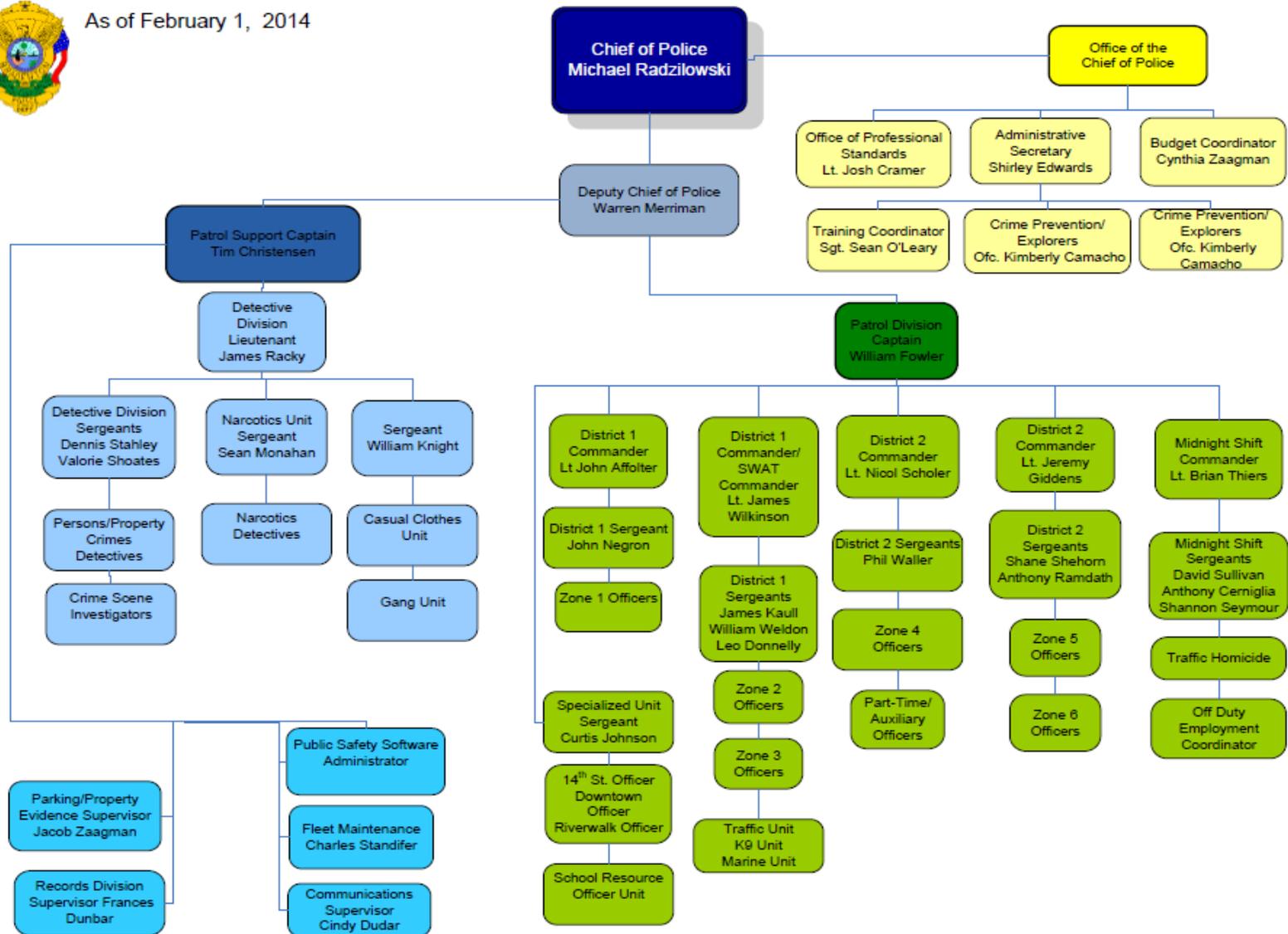
Command Staff and Supervisors



Organizational Chart



As of February 1, 2014



Police Department Overview

Authorized Staffing

The Bradenton Police Department maintains the highest standard of professionalism when considering the hiring of Police Officers. The budgeted authorized staffing of full-time Police Officers employed by the City of Bradenton is presently 120 Officers.

					Actual
2014 BUDGETED AUTHORIZED STAFFING (FULL-TIME)					Filled (As of February 2015)
	2011	2012	2013	2014	2014
Sworn Officers	119	118	120	120	120
Civilians	29	29	27	27	29
Total	148	147	147	147	150
Officers Per 1,000 Residents	2.18	2.18	2.16	2.26	2.26

Police Department Overview

The Bradenton Police Department serves the City in a Law Enforcement, First Responder, and Emergency Management capacity. We operate from Police Headquarters and two District Sub-Stations, with a total of [120] Sworn Police Officers which are divided by three divisions: Office of the Chief of Police, Patrol Division, and Patrol Support. There are [29] Civilian Personnel that are divided into the following units: Communications [13], Records [4], Property/Evidence/Parking [3], and Administration/Support [4].

Police Department Overview

2014 EMPLOYEE DEMOGRAPHICS			
SWORN - Career			
	Male	Female	Total
White	91	11	102
Hispanic	7	2	9
Asian	0	0	0
African American	7	2	9
Filipino	0	0	0
Native American	0	0	0
Total	105	15	120

2014 EMPLOYEE DEMOGRAPHICS			
CIVILIAN – Career and Non-Career			
	Male	Female	Total
White	8	16	24
Hispanic	0	1	1
Asian	0	0	0
African American	1	4	5
Filipino	0	0	0
Native American	0	0	0
Total	9	21	30

2013 EMPLOYEE DEMOGRAPHICS			
SWORN - Career			
	Male	Female	Total
White	78.3%	7.5%	85.8%
Hispanic	8.3%	2.5%	10.8%
Asian	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
African American	1.7%	1.7%	3.4%
Filipino	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Native American	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Total	88.3%	11.7%	100%

2013 EMPLOYEE DEMOGRAPHICS			
CIVILIAN – Career and Non-Career			
	Male	Female	Total
White	29.6%	37.0%	66.6%
Hispanic	0.00%	7.4%	7.4%
Asian	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
African American	3.7%	22.3%	26%
Filipino	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Native American	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Total	33.3%	66.7%	100%

Employee Demographics

Ethnic and gender demographics that are balanced and representative of the City of Bradenton will continue to coincide with the hiring process of the Bradenton Police Department. According to the City of Bradenton Police Department's Equal Employment Opportunity Plan for 2015, "The Bradenton Police Department is committed to working towards making its workforce profiles more closely reflect the labor force in the community." The Bradenton Police Department will continue to focus its recruitment efforts on minority males and females for both law enforcement and civilian positions.

Police Department Overview



From Left to Right: Officers Anthony Rodriguez, Jordan Sullivan, Christopher Bennet, and Cordario Pruitt..

Personnel Experience

The Bradenton Police Department is showing its largest category being the personnel with 0 to 6 years of experience. We have lost several key administrative personnel to retirements, but have seen other experienced officers within the agency receive promotions to fill those vacancies. Over the 2013 year, we lost (8) eight members whose positions were replaced with qualified applicants from both within and outside of the agency. Currently, 65% of the agency has a total of less than (11) years service.



New officers being sworn in by the Mayor and Police Commissioner, the Honorable Wayne Poston.

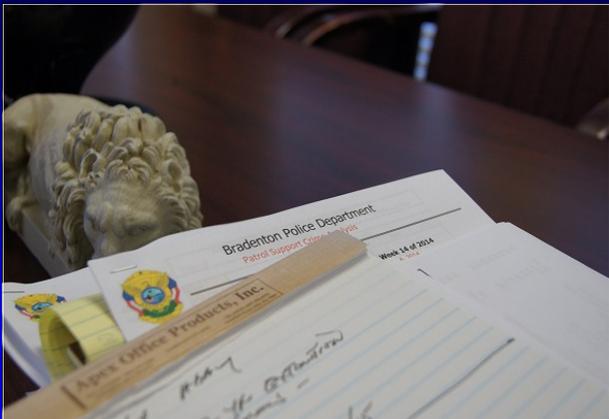


Agency Goals

The goals of the City of Bradenton Police Department are to protect the lives and property of the citizens of this community, to preserve the peace, and to prevent crime and disorder, while constantly guarding personal liberties as prescribed by law.

To achieve our goals we must develop and provide:

- A well-trained and disciplined patrol force, capable of assessing and responding to the changing needs of the community it serves, to include delivering swift emergency response when required.
- A pro-active traffic enforcement program designed to regulate traffic movement and assure safe and expedient travel on city streets.
- A skilled and experienced investigative unit for bringing criminal offenders to swift and impartial justice.
- A community policing effort charged with: educating the public about law enforcement issues, with emphasis on the community's role and responsibilities with respect to the prevention of crime, increasing the accountability of police officers to neighborhood residents and other officers; and increasing commitment to problem solving, rather than responding repeatedly to the same problem.
- The Bradenton Police Department recognizes that we cannot fulfill our mission without community support. It is imperative that a dialogue, characterized by mutual trust and open and honest communication, is maintained between this agency and our community. It must include a willingness to continually examine and modify policies and procedures and to assure that our mission is accomplished in a manner compatible with the best interests of the community.



Accreditation

The City of Bradenton Police Department has been accredited through the State of Florida's Commission for Florida Law Enforcement Accreditation (CFA) since June 25, 2003. An accreditation program has long been recognized as a means of maintaining the highest standards of professionalism. Accreditation is the certification, by an independent reviewing authority, that an entity has met specific requirements and over 215 prescribed standards. The Professional Standards Lieutenant serves as the Department's Accreditation Manager.

The Bradenton Police Department went through a Full Compliance On-Site Assessment (July 25 - 27, 2012) and there were no discrepancies detected by the Assessment Team. The CFA Team Leader, Captain Mark Foxworth of the Fernandina Beach Police Department remarked, "All agency members were found to be knowledgeable of the accreditation process and to have embraced the process as part of their daily duties and delivery of law enforcement services."

On September 27, 2012, the Commission for Florida Law Enforcement Accreditation (CFA) unanimously voted to award reaccreditation status to the City of Bradenton Police Department during their Fall Conference, held in Sarasota, Florida.



Office of the Chief of Police

The Office of the Chief of Police is divided into the following sections: Budget Management, Professional Standards, Training, and Crime Prevention/Volunteers.

Budget Management

The Budget Management Office provides professional budgetary, financial, and procurement accountability to the Police Department and other City Departments. The Budget Coordinator, Mrs. Cindy Zaagman, is responsible for administrative and supervisory work involving the financial management of the City of Bradenton Police Department. She ensures that the expenditures of public monies are managed properly and in accordance with generally accepted accounting policies and procedures; federal, state, and local law enforcement guidelines; as well as city ordinance, and police department rules and regulations, policies and procedures.

Additional duties include participating in the preparation of the annual budget, analyzing expenditure trends, and evaluating budget requests. The Budget Coordinator is also responsible for forecasting financial requirements, monitoring and maintaining the annual budget reports, and supervising the procurement and supply functions of the police department. The Budget Coordinator organizes these functions plus many more in order to facilitate the development of a functional budget for the City of Bradenton Police Department.

Budget Summary

The City of Bradenton Police Department continues to face budgetary challenges, but it has not changed the level of service that is continuously provided to the community. The Chief of Police has reduced the number of command staff positions, and reallocated those open positions to new Patrol Officers. The Police Department currently has (120) Sworn Officer positions, along with a reduced number of civilian positions. Additionally, the Police Department curtailed any discretionary spending over the below fiscal years, for non-essential Training and Equipment.

City of Bradenton Police Department Annual Budget	FY 09/10	FY 10/11	FY 11/12	FY 12/13	FY 13/14
Personnel Costs	\$11,117,190.00	\$7,205,705.00	\$10,631,668.00	\$11,228,013.00	\$11,390,868.00
Logistics and Services	\$790,178.00	\$4,323,086.00	\$862,357.00	\$1,290,988.00	\$1,329,233.00
Grant Offsets	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$10,374.00	\$5,910.00	\$61,765.00
Total	\$11,907,368.00	\$11,528,791.00	\$11,494,025.00	\$12,519,001.00	\$12,781,866.00
Annual City Approved Budget	\$104,694,642.00	\$102,325,029.00	\$102,325,029.00	\$98,157,051.00	\$88,964,533.00
Police Department's Percentile of City Budget	11.4%	11.3%	11.2%	12.8%	13%

Office of the Chief of Police

Office of Professional Standards

The Office of Professional Standards consists of a Police Lieutenant who is responsible for investigating and/or managing inquiries into all complaints and allegations made against sworn and civilian members of the City of Bradenton Police Department. The Division strives to ensure that the integrity of the entire Police Department remains intact by ensuring that agency members comply with all federal and state laws, as well as city ordinances, and police department rules and regulations, policies and procedures. Each investigation is conducted objectively,

Internal Affairs Investigations

Statistical Data Total for 2013:

Internal Affairs Investigations: 29
Total Allegations: 57

Total Complainants by Gender:

Male: 12
Female: 9
Bradenton Police Department: 8

Total Complainants by Race:

White: 8
African-American: 13
Hispanic: 0
Asian: 0

Total Accused Department Employees by Gender:

Male: 52
Female: 5

Total Accused Department Employees by Division:

Uniformed Patrol: 21
Patrol Support: 7
Outside Agency: 0
Administration: 2

Office of the Chief of Police

Charges for Employees By Division:

Patrol: 27
Patrol Support: 18
Outside Agency Assistance: 0
Administration: 1

Classification and Number of Allegations, which were filed:

Commission of a Crime: 3
Conversion or Delivery of Property: 1
Conduct Unbecoming: 3
Conformance to Laws: 3
Conduct Which Creates Doubt Regarding Honesty: 3
Excessive Use of Force: 11
False Report: 1
Failure to Supervise: 1
Harassment/Discrimination: 5
Human Relations: 13
Impartiality: 1
Misuse of Criminal Justice Information: 1
Moral Character: 2
Providing Identification: 2
Untruthfulness in an Official Proceeding: 2
Unsatisfactory Performance: 4
Violation of Procedural General Orders: 1

Investigative Results Data:

Sustained Allegations: 17
Not Sustained Allegations: 13
Unfounded Allegations: 17
Exonerated Allegations:
Police Failure: 0
Complainant Waiver: 1
Allegations Still Under Investigation: 1

Office of the Chief of Police

Use of Force Annual Analysis

The City of Bradenton Police Department mandates that when force is used in the line of duty the Officer is required to document his/her actions on a Use of Force Form. Use of Force should not be viewed as synonymous with excessive force. Force is an occasional and unfortunate outcome of the work that we ask the men and women of the City of Bradenton Police Department to perform on a daily basis. The Professional Standards Division is responsible for collecting the data and conducting an annual analysis. It is the goal of the City of Bradenton Police Department that all members be capable of using effective and reasonable force when appropriate to protect the public, subjects, and officers. It is also the goal of the Bradenton Police Department that, when force is appropriate, members apply those reasonable and effective force options that carry lower risks of injury to subjects and officers. Many of the recommendations contained in the report are oriented toward continuing to develop best practices in how we manage force as an organization, our use of force policy, how we train our members, how we supervise force issues, and how we investigate and review allegations of excessive force. The statistical data for 2013 indicates that Bradenton Police Officers had to apply force in less than 2% of all calls for service and 9% of total arrests.

Statistical Data: Total Use of Force (Lethal/Non-Lethal): 2014

Classification:

Use of Force (Humans): 281
Animal Destruction: 1
Misfire/Ineffective: 1

Rank of Officer:

Officer: 238
Sergeant: 34
Lieutenant: 10

Race of Officer:

Caucasian: 221
African American: 18
Hispanic: 43
Asian: 0

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Gender of Officer:

Male: 254
Female: 28

Age of Officer:

19-30 years of age: 148
31-40 years of age: 101
41-51 years of age: 33
50 plus years of age: 0

Years of Service:

Less than 1 year: 29
1-3 years: 80
4-6 years: 31
6-10 years: 90
11 plus years: 50

Area of Assignment:

Patrol: 253
Patrol Support: 29
Administration: 0

Officers Injured:

Yes: 17
No: 265

Duty Shift:

Day: 239
Afternoon: 112
Midnight: 12

Type of Force Used by Officer:

Hands/Fist/Feet (includes Verbal Directions, Soft Hand Techniques, and Hard/Empty Techniques): 102
OC Spray: 5
Baton/Asp: 0
Threat of Lethal Force: 50
Lethal Force: 1 Incident (1 Projectiles Discharged)
Handcuffs: 87
Canine usage: 3
Hobble: 3
Spit Hood: 0
TASER Total Usage: 26
TASER Displayed: 10
TASER Deployed: 13
TASER Drive Stunned: 3

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Classifications of Arrestee: Total of 104 suspects

Race of Arrestee:

Caucasian: 75
African American: 80
Hispanic: 6
Other: 0
Armed Unidentified Individuals: 2

Gender of Arrestee:

Male: 136
Female: 26
Unidentified Individuals: 1

Age of Arrestee:

Juvenile: 27
19-30 years of age: 80
31-40 years of age: 37
41-50 years of age: 6
51 plus years of age: 11
Unidentified Individuals: 2

Arrestee Injured:

Yes: 44
No: 119

Justified Use of Force:

Yes: 163
No: 0

Influence Factors:

Drugs: 36
Alcohol: 6

Nature of Initial Complaint:

Aggravated Assault/Battery: 6
Assault/Battery: 1
Assault/Battery on Law Enforcement Officer/Firefighter: 30
Attempted Murder: 0
Burglary: 10
Carrying Concealed Weapon: 0
Child Abuse: 0
Criminal Mischief: 6
Depriving an Officer of a Weapon: 0
Disorderly Intoxication: 6
Domestic Battery: 14
Escaped Prisoner: 0
False Imprisonment: 3
Fleeing to Elude: 0
Loitering: 0
Mental Illness: 10
Narcotics: 36
Resisting With or W/out Violence: 38
Retail Theft: 0
Robbery/Carjacking: 2
Tampering With Evidence: 2
Traffic Offense: 16
Trespass in Structure/Conveyance: 5

Office of the Chief of Police

Remarks

1. In a review of (283) instances of Use of Force, it indicated that (39) of the subjects were under the influence of narcotics, (31) subjects were under the influence of alcohol, and (17) subjects were under the influence of both narcotics and alcohol. This was a substantial increase from last year where the narcotic influence was at (24) individuals.
2. There were (10) instances of Use of Force used in restraining mentally-ill subjects. This also was a slight increase from the previous year.
3. The oldest subject which required Use of Force was 80 years of age. There were (24) instances where Use of Force was applied to juvenile subjects with the youngest being 9 years of age. There were (79) instances of Use of Force which involved subjects aged between 19 - 30 years of age.
4. There were (26) instances of Use of Force that involved Female subjects. There were (134) instances of Use of Force that involved Male subjects. There was (1) Use of Force that involved a canine.
5. The Afternoon Shift (4:00 p.m. - 2:00 a.m.) had the most instances of Use of Force at (112), followed by the Day Shift (6:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.) with (39) instances, and the Midnight Shift (9:00 p.m. - 7:00 a.m.) had (12) instances.

Training Unit

The Bradenton Police Department's Training Unit is responsible for the training, certification, and re-certification of all sworn and civilian police personnel. For the Fiscal Year 2014, the Bradenton Police Department budgeted \$20,000.00 for training. The budgeted money was used to pay for all registration, travel expenses, and other charges (range rental, equipment replacement, etc). During 2014, six (6) officers successfully completed the department's Field Training and Evaluation Program. The agency as a whole was successfully recertified through mandatory retraining in the following disciplines: Electro-Muscular Disruption Device (TASER) Re-certification; Unusual Occurrence Training; Blood-Borne Pathogen Training; Firearms Qualification; and Use of Force. In 2014, twenty (20) Officers were re-certified and are in compliance with the mandatory training standards set forth by the Florida Department of Law Enforcement's Criminal Justice Standards and Training Commission. The Department's personnel received approximately 3,200 hours of training, either provided internally or through external training institutions. Lastly, one hundred fifteen (115) Officers successfully completed the department's mandated Physical Abilities Test.

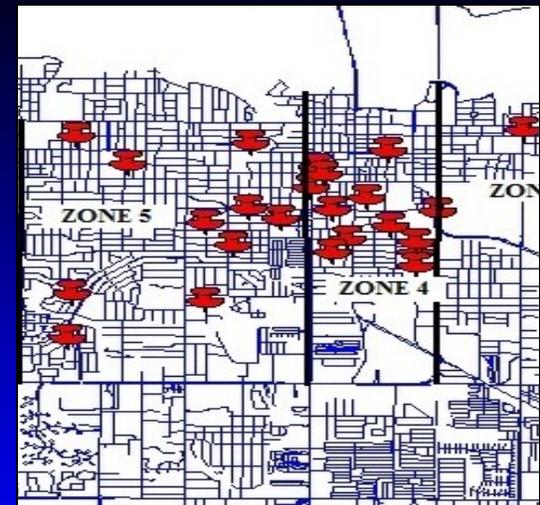
Office of the Chief of Police

Crime Analysis Unit

The Bradenton Police Department's Crime Analysis Unit consists of (1) Crime Analyst who is under the direction of the Chief of Police. The Crime Analyst's responsibility is one that uses a set of systematic, analytical processes directed at providing timely and pertinent information, relative to crime patterns and trend correlations, to assist operational and administrative personnel in planning the deployment of resources for the prevention and suppression of criminal activities, to aid the investigative process, thereby increasing the number of apprehensions and the clearance of criminal cases. Within this context, crime analysis supports a number of department functions including patrol deployment, special operations and tactical units, investigations, planning and research, crime prevention, and administrative services (budget and program planning).

Tactical Crime Analysis: Deals with immediate criminal offenses to promote quick response. It provides information to assist operational personnel in the identification of specific crime trends and in the arrest of criminal offenders. The primary goal is to identify crime trends and patterns/series. Tactical information links offender and modus operandi information from a number of offenses in an attempt to provide investigative leads, help solve crimes, and clear cases after apprehension and arrests.

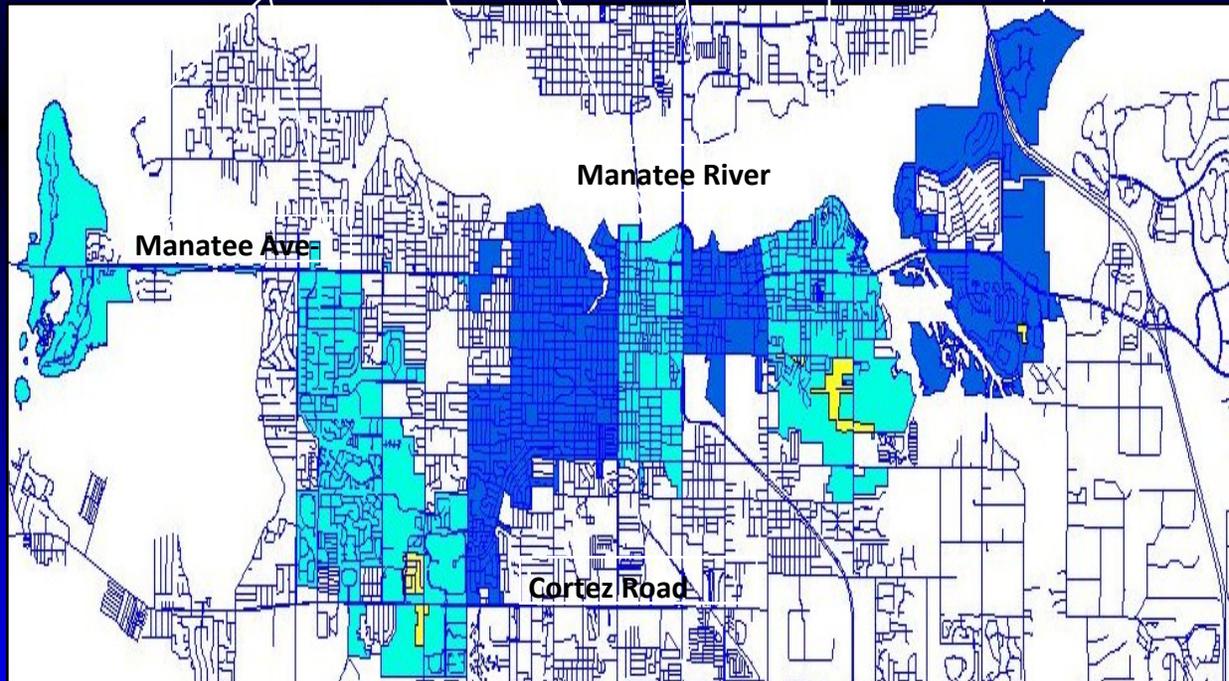
Strategic: Concerned with operational strategies and seeks solutions to on-going problems. It provides information for resource allocation purposes, including patrol scheduling and beat configuration. Its purpose is to identify unusual crime activities over certain levels or at different seasonal times, identify unusual community conditions, provide police service more effectively and efficiently; match demands for service with service delivery, reduce and/or eliminate recurring problems, and assist in community policing or problem-oriented policing.



Patrol Operations Division

The Bradenton Police Department's Patrol Operations Division provides a 24-hour response to requests for law enforcement service for the City of Bradenton. Law enforcement response to emergencies is continuously available within the agency's jurisdiction. Patrol Operations is the largest division within the Police Department. The vast majority of incident reports and investigations begin with Patrol Operations Officers (Patrol Officers). The City of Bradenton is divided into two geographic Patrol Districts with each District having three Patrol Zones. The Patrol Operations Division is commanded by Captain William Fowler. Each District is commanded by Two District Commanders (Lieutenants). A minimum of one Sergeant is assigned to each zone as well as a Master Patrol Officer. Patrol Operations Lieutenants, Sergeants, Master Patrol Officers, and Officers are permanently assigned to Districts and Zones. This permanent assignment ensures accountability and the ability to establish a partnership with the community.

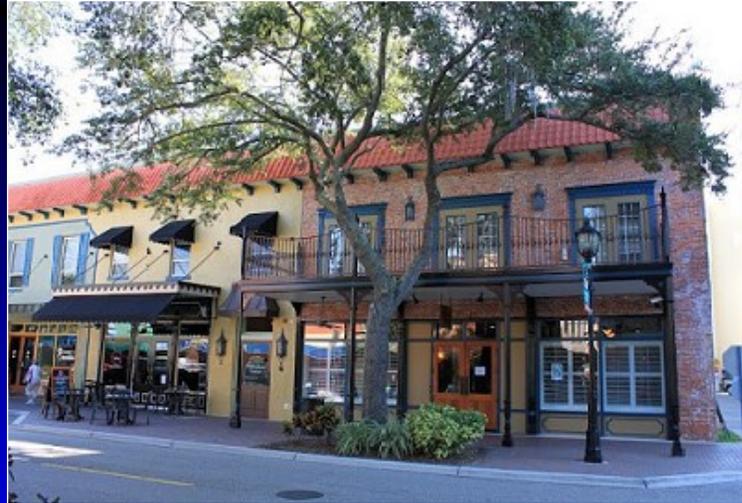
District Two Zone 6 43rd Street West to the 11000 Block Man- atee Avenue West (Perico Island)	District Two Zone 5 14th Street West to 43rd Street West	District Two Zone 4 1st Street West To 14th Street West	District One Zone 3 1st Street East to 15th Street East	District One Zone 2 15th Street East to 27th Street East	District One Zone 1 27th Street East to I-75
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Patrol Operations Division

Tamiami Trail Business Beat Officer The Tamiami Trail Business Beat Officer is stationed at the Bradenton Police Department's Sub-Station located in the Tamiami Trail section of the City. The Officer is responsible for all law enforcement related activity involving the businesses located on the Tamiami Trail. The Business Beat Officer is primarily a foot patrol assignment which allows the officer to interact with merchants, customers, and visitors. The Business Beat Officer also utilizes a Police bicycle or the T-3 Mobile Vehicle. The merchants have direct contact with the Business Beat Officer via a cellular telephone. The Business Beat Officer also helps transient persons who may be seeking the assistance of a local service provider.

DDA Downtown and Riverwalk Beat Officer - The City of Bradenton's Downtown Development Authority (DDA) sponsors (2) Police Officers who concentrate his and her policing efforts within the City of Bradenton's revitalized business district and Riverwalk venue. Similar to the Tamiami Trail Business Beat Officer, the Downtown and Riverwalk Beat Officers act as a resource for business owners and visitors to contact directly. The Downtown and Riverwalk Beat Officers are often seen patrolling their areas of responsibility on a Police bicycle, Segway, or T-3 Mobile Vehicle.



Patrol Operations Division

School Resource Officer Unit

The City of Bradenton Police Department's School Resource Officer Unit is charged with providing liaison and services to community schools. The unit is made up of three School Resource Officers (SROs), and is part of the Patrol Division. The unit is funded through a cooperative agreement between the Bradenton Police Department and the Manatee County School District. The SRO program is based on a philosophy that the School Resource Officer is an educator in safety and a law-related counselor, a resource to the school administration, and of course, a law enforcement officer. The SRO is an active, high profile officer who focuses their efforts on detecting or preventing any unruly, delinquent, or criminal activity within the school and the surrounding campus area. If a crime does occur on school property, the SRO will take the initial report and conduct the follow-up investigation.



From Left to Right: School Resource Officer Phillip Ajello and Master Patrol Officer Randy Moore



School Resource Officer Mark Hashem

Master Patrol Officer Randy Moore and School Resource Officer Phillip Ajello are based out of Manatee High School, which is the largest (2014 Student Population 2,418) and oldest high school in Manatee County. School Resource Officer Mark Hashem is assigned to W.D. Sugg Middle School. All three SROs are also involved in a variety of after-school functions aimed at the prevention of violence and crime, on and off campus.



Specialized Units

Special Weapons and Tactics (S.W.A.T.) Team

The Bradenton Police Department S.W.A.T. Team consists of (16) Officers who are selected for the Team under the leadership of the S.W.A.T. Commander. The S.W.A.T. Team is a specialized unit which is trained to perform dangerous operations. These can include serving high-risk arrest warrants, performing hostage rescue and/or armed intervention, preventing terrorist attacks, and engaging heavily-armed criminals. The S.W.A.T. Team is equipped with specialized firearms including sub-machine guns, shotguns, carbines, tear gas, stun grenades, and high-powered rifles for marksmen (snipers). The S.W.A.T. Team also has the following specialized equipment including heavy body armor, entry tools, and night vision optics. The S.W.A.T. Team is available on a 24 Hour/7 Days a week, on-call basis. In 2014, the Bradenton Police Department S.W.A.T. Team was activated (16) times. The S.W.A.T. Team trains on a monthly basis which equates to approximately 200 hours a year.

Hostage Negotiation Team

The Bradenton Police Department Hostage Negotiation Team consists of (6) members who are selected for the Team under the leadership of the H.N.T. Commander. The H.N.T. is available on a 24 Hour/7 Days a week, on-call basis. The H.N.T. responds to incidents that involve barricaded subjects, with or without hostages, and suicidal subjects. Using highly skilled and trained negotiators, the team strives to resolve incidents as peacefully as possible, thereby reducing the risk of injury or loss of life for citizens and officers alike. The team works closely with the Department's S.W.A.T. Team, Patrol Division personnel, and elements of the mental health community. In 2013, the H.N.T. was activated (2) times.



Specialized Units

Traffic Unit

The Traffic Unit consists of (1) Officer and (1) Sergeant. Unit personnel specialize in the enforcement of all traffic laws and traffic crash investigations. The officers have special training and certifications in the area of Traffic Crash Reconstruction, Traffic Homicide Investigation, and D.U.I. Enforcement. The Traffic Unit members utilize unmarked vehicles and marked motorcycles. These officers engage in enforcement details which are directed at areas within the City of Bradenton that have been determined to be problematic traffic areas. The Traffic Unit identifies dangerous roads and intersections by citizen complaints, officers' observations, and statistical data obtained from crash reports. Traffic officers are deployed to these problem areas in an attempt to curb traffic violations and prevent major vehicle crashes from occurring. In 2014, the Traffic Unit was also responsible for processing 1,844 Red Light Camera violations, which has significantly reduced traffic crashes at the monitored intersections. In 2014, the Traffic Unit issued 657 Uniform Traffic Citations and the Patrol and Patrol Support Division personnel issued an additional 4,287 Uniform Traffic Citations for an overall total of 4,984 Uniform Traffic Citations.

Those citizens with traffic complaints can report problems to the Traffic Unit at 941-932-9300, Ext. 318.



Specialized Units

Top 20 Traffic Crash Locations within the City of Bradenton in 2014		
Ranking	Intersection	Number of Traffic Crashes
1	State Road 55 East (1st Street East) / 11th Avenue East	9
2	State Road 64 West (6th Avenue West) / State Road 45 West (9th Street West)	7
3	State Road 64 East (Manatee Avenue East) / 2nd Street East	6
4	51st Street West / 43rd Avenue West	5
5	9th Avenue West / 26th Street West	5
6	9th Street West / 21st Avenue West	5
7	State Road 45 West (14th Street West) / 21st Avenue West	5
8	26th Street West / 7th Avenue West	4
9	9th Street West / 26th Avenue West	4
10	State Road 45 West (14th Street West) / 26th Avenue West	4
11	State Road 64 West (Manatee Avenue West) / 26th Street West	4
12	State Road 64 West (Manatee Avenue West) / 47th Street West	4
13	State Road 64 West (Manatee Avenue West) / 63rd Street West	4
14	26th Street West / 21st Avenue West	3
15	43rd Street West / 21st Avenue West	3
16	43rd Street West / State Road 684 (Cortez Road West)	3
17	9th Avenue West / 30th Street West	3
18	9th Street West / 20th Avenue West	3
19	Martin Luther King Avenue East / State Road 55 East (1st Street East)	3
20	State Road 45 West (14th Street West) / 17th Avenue West	3

Specialized Units

Marine Unit



The Bradenton Police Department's Marine Unit consists of (4) Officers who are selected for the Unit under the leadership of the Marine Unit Commander. The Marine Unit is a specialized unit which operates on a part-time basis. The City of Bradenton Police Department patrols approximately 24 miles of waterway to include the Manatee River, Palma Sola Bay, and the Inter-Coastal Waterway (I.C.W.). The Marine Unit currently utilizes a 26' Robalo, Center Console, which is powered by twin, Mercury 200 horse power outboard engines. The Marine Unit is a "Safety Orientated Unit" that conducted several hundred safety checks during 2014. The boaters are educated on the ever-changing speed zones, local marine regulations, and no wake zones. The Marine Unit also works closely with several local, state, and federal law enforcement Marine Units. Additionally, the Marine Unit participates in special events such as the Sarasota Offshore Grand Prix, City of Tampa Gasparilla Celebration, boat parades, and miscellaneous fishing tournaments.

Specialized Units

Canine Unit



The Bradenton Police Department's Canine (K-9) Unit is staffed by Master Patrol Officer Jeanine Gagliano-Pease with K-9 Blitz, Officer Mathew Palmer with K-9 Riggs, and Officer Jason Taulbee with K-9 Mac. The Bradenton Police Department recently purchased K-9 Riggs and K-9 Mac. The Canine (K-9) Handler and Service Dog must successfully complete over 400 hours of specialized training prior to being placed on Patrol duty. The Canine (K-9) Teams maintain their certification by conducting weekly training in the areas of drug detection, building/area searches, tracking and apprehension of subjects. As an invaluable asset to the Patrol Division, the Canine (K-9) Unit conducted 21 Tracks, 1,241 Assists, 105 Vehicle Sniffs, 19 Building/Area Searches, and 41 Arrests were effected by the use of the Canine (K-9) Team. Additionally, the Canine (K-9) Unit seized 13 Grams of Cocaine, 20 Grams of Marijuana, 1.43 Grams of Methamphetamine and 14 pieces of drug paraphernalia during 2014.

Honor Guard



The Bradenton Police Department's Honor Guard consists of eight officers who are specifically selected for the unit under the leadership of a Sergeant. The Police Department's Honor Guard has been active for over 27 years. The Honor Guard participates annually in a number of events and parades, to include: The Florida Heritage Festival Parade, September 11th Anniversary Ceremonies, Tallahassee Annual State Law Enforcement Officer Ceremony, and Police Academy Graduations. Honor Guard members attend funerals for fallen law enforcement officers within the State of Florida and assist other Honor Guards as needed. Services are also provided for retired Departmental personnel and City officials, as requested. The Honor Guard presents the colors at various hosting events, such as baseball games and special events.

Patrol Support Division

The Bradenton Police Department Patrol Support Division's primary mission is to provide support services to the Patrol Division in the following capacities: Detective Division, Narcotics Unit, Casual Clothes Unit, Communications Center, Property/Evidence Unit, Parking Unit, Records Unit, Fleet Maintenance, and a Law Enforcement Technology Specialist. The Patrol Support Division is commanded by Captain Tim Christensen.

Detective Division



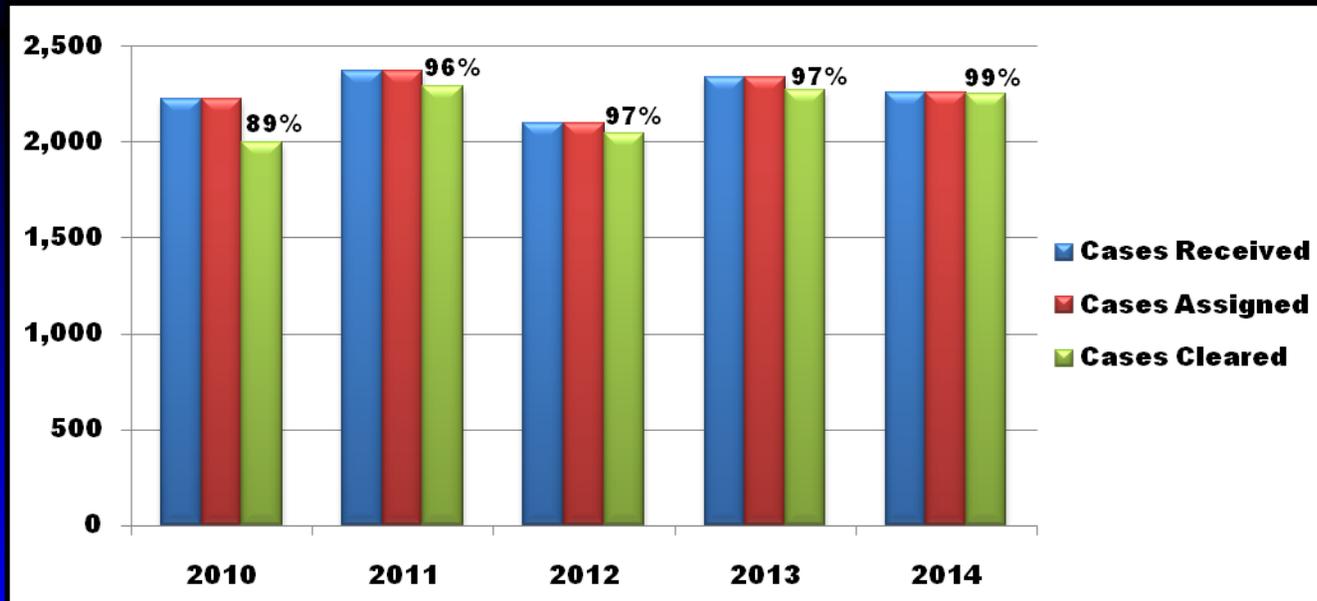
The Bradenton Police Department's Detective Division is made up of (1) Lieutenant, (2) Sergeants, (4) Detectives (First Grade), (6) Detectives, (3) Officers, and (3) Civilian Crime Scene Investigators. The Detective Division's primary responsibility is to serve as an investigative support component to the Patrol Division. There are (6) Detectives, which are assigned to specific Districts and Zones within the City of Bradenton and investigate a variety of crimes from larcenies to aggravated assaults. There is (1) Detective that is specifically assigned to investigate claims of child abuse and child neglect in conjunction with the Manatee County Sheriff's Office Child Protective Services Unit. Additionally, (1) Detective is assigned to the F.B.I.'s Violent Crime Task Force, and (1) Detective is assigned to the F.B.I.'s Innocent Images Task Force, which investigates cyber-based crimes. We also have (1) Detective dedicated to the Manatee County Homicide Investigative Unit, which is a team that investigates all homicides that occur within Manatee County. Additionally, with the rise of identify theft and internet scams occurring world-wide there are (2) Detectives that are assigned solely to investigate economic crimes.



Patrol Support Division



	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Cases Received	2,227	2,372	2,103	2,338	2,260
Cases Assigned	2,227	2,372	2,103	2,338	2,260
Cases Cleared	2,003	2,293	2,049	2,271	2,253
Percentage	89%	96%	97%	97%	99%



Patrol Support Division

The Bradenton Police Department's Narcotics Unit consists of (1) Sergeant, (1) Detective Grade One, (3) Detectives, (1) Canine Handler, and K-9 (Wagner). The Narcotics Unit's primary responsibility is to serve as a pro-active investigative unit that focuses on significantly impacting the flow, sale, and purchasing of illegal narcotics/contraband within the jurisdiction of the City of Bradenton. In 2014, through the skilled investigation, apprehension, and conviction of narcotics traffickers, the Narcotics Unit excelled in confiscating illegal narcotics, and seized the proceeds earned via the offender's criminal activity. The Narcotics Unit has a Detective assigned to the Federal D.E.A. Task Force, who serves as a liaison when there is a Federal investigation conducted within the City of Bradenton.

Narcotics Unit Assigned Cases & Arrests for 2010—2014						
Years	Cases Assigned	Arrests	Criminal Charges			
			Narcotics	Prostitution	Warrants	Other
2010	124	197	172	25	51	0
2011	126	206	218	35	47	0
2012	170	204	192	17	141	39
2013	159	192	28	28	75	0
2014	145	99	99	2	39	0



Patrol Support Division

Narcotics Unit Seizure Statistics for 2010—2014

Years	Narcotics Seized					Cash Seized	Guns Seized
	Meth	Marijuana	Cocaine	Pills	Heroin		
2010	187 gr.	3,868 gr.	1,833 gr.	1,432 gr.	294 gr.	\$99,779.00	32
2011	2,230gr.	1,405 gr.	10,127 gr.	516 gr.	2,852 gr.	\$228,223.00	51
2012	2,189gr.	496 gr.	5,153 gr.	208 gr.	82 gr.	\$352,487.00	37
2013	103 gr.	26,601 gr.	10,474 gr.	148 gr.	11 gr.	\$681,018.20	14
2014	99.7 gr.	6,796.7 gr.	69.8 gr.	95.4 gr.	88 gr.	\$193,013.00	13



K-9 Wagner-In February of 2014, K-9 Wagner was retired from active service.

Narcotics Unit K-9 Wagner Seizure Statistics for 2013—2014

Years	Narcotics Seized				K-9 Detection Use (Vehicle)	Positive Alerts
	Heroin	Marijuana	Rock Cocaine	Powder Cocaine		
2013	13.9 gr.	23.22 gr.	3.71 gr.	.2 gr	32	24
2014	0	0	0	0	1	1

Patrol Support Division

The Bradenton Police Department's Casual Clothes Unit is made up of (1) Sergeant, (4) Investigators, and (2) Gang Investigators. It's primary responsibility is to focus on areas within the City of Bradenton which may have an increase of criminal activity. The Casual Clothes Unit is an intelligence-led policing unit which acts as a surveillance unit. The members of the Casual Clothes Unit work very closely with the Department's Crime Analyst in order to determine modus-operandi patterns throughout the City of Bradenton. The Casual Clothes Unit also attempts to eliminate the criminal element by conducting weekly innovative operations such as: Prostitution Sting/Reverse, Decoy Vehicle/Bicycle, and Narcotics Reverse operations. In an effort to combat the county-wide gang problem, there are (2) specially trained Gang Investigators who concentrate on identifying, monitoring, and communicating with current and new gangs.

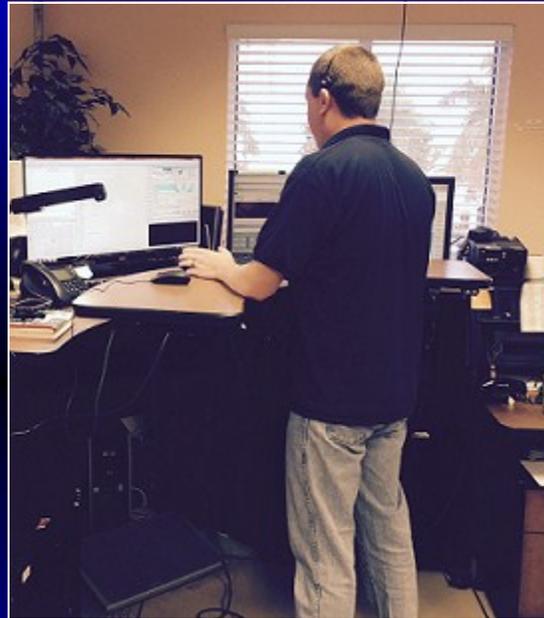
Casual Clothes Unit and Gang Unit						
Assigned Cases & Arrests for 2010 - 2014						
Years	Cases	Arrests	Criminal Charges			
			Narcotics	Prostitution	Warrants	Other
2010	25	527	321	8	54	144
2011	72	349	185	15	76	73
2012	43	476	318	28	58	60
2013	24	375	250	19	29	68
2014	68	136	78	16	24	18

Casual Clothes and Gang Unit							
Seizures for 2009-2013							
Years	Narcotics Seized					Cash Seized	Guns Seized / Recovered
	Meth.	Marijuana	Cocaine	Pills	Heroin		
2010	5.6 g.	1,143.3 g.	106.4 g.	148.8 g.	2.1 g.	\$6,371.00	8
2011	0.0 g.	695 g.	84.5 g.	164.5 g.	0.0 g.	\$6,945.35	16
2012	0.2 g.	1,539.4 g.	377 g.	589.5 g.	8 g.	\$61,350.00	19
2013	22.6 g.	3,479.4 g.	208.2 g.	423 g.	339.01 g.	\$65,864.31	22
2014	0	387.3 gr.	54.4 gr.	40.7 gr.	50.1 gr.	\$15,148.65	1

Patrol Support Division

Communications Center

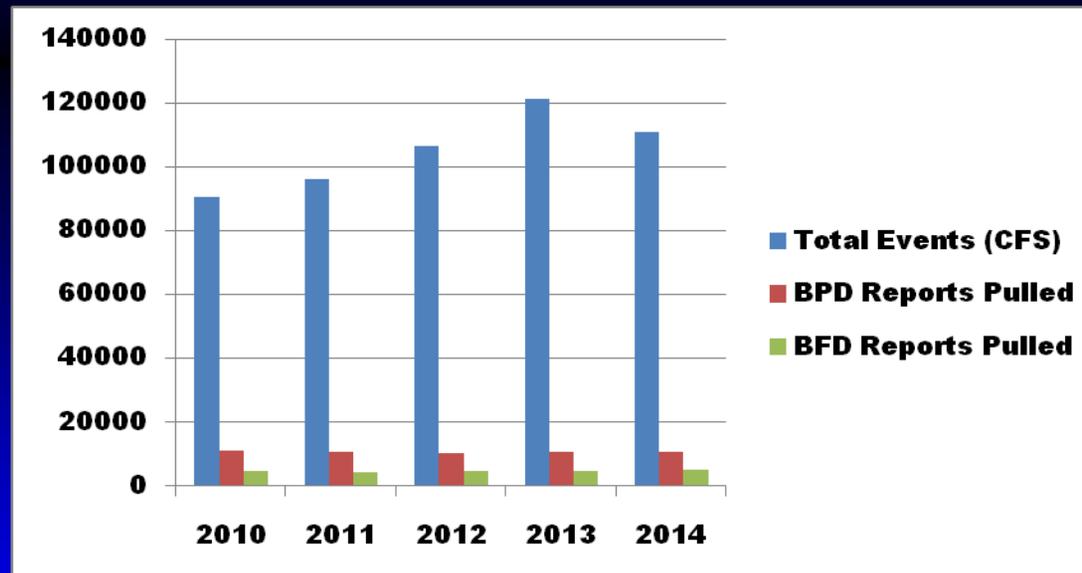
The mission of the City of Bradenton Police Department's Communications Center is to provide quality service to the Police and Fire Department, thus enabling officers to perform their duties effectively and efficiently, and to provide requested services to citizens and other departments in a courteous, helpful, and timely manner by maintaining high standards of professionalism.



The City of Bradenton Police Department's Communications Center is under the direction of the Communications Center Supervisor, who reports directly to the Patrol Support Captain. There are (2) Assistant Communications Center Supervisors, and (11) Tele-Communicators. The Communications Center is a 24 hours/7 days a week operation. There are three shifts of varying hours (eight and ten hour shifts). The Communications Center not only services the Police Department, but also dispatches for the City of Bradenton Fire Department, in addition to answering a 9-1-1 emergency telephone line.

Patrol Support Division

Bradenton Police Department Communications Center 5-Year Comparison					
Calls for Service (CFS) and Reports	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Total Calls for Service (CFS)	90,311	95,864	106,245	121,219	10,847
Bradenton Police Department Reports Pulled	10,950	10,377	10,086	10,304	10,422
Bradenton Fire Department Reports Pulled	4,336	4,139	4,406	4,229	4,641

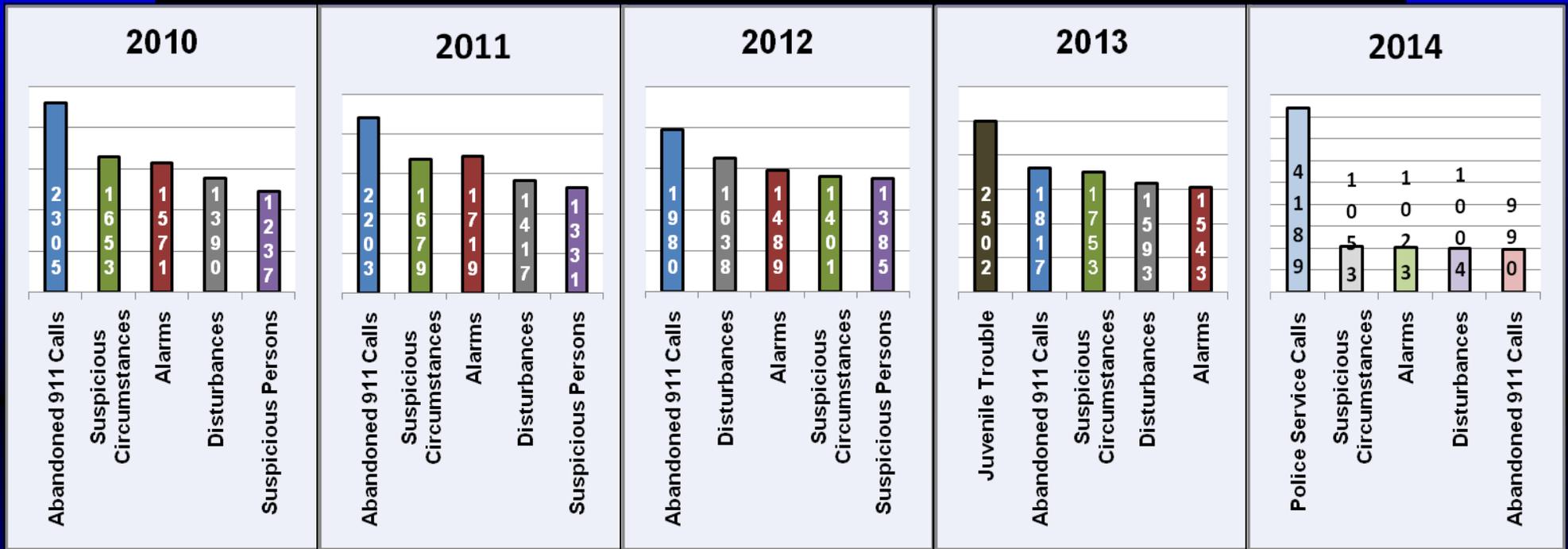


Patrol Support Division

Bradenton Police Department Communications Center 5-Year Comparison					
Incoming Telephone Calls	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Emergency 9-1-1 Landline and Wireless Telephone Calls	16,572	19,226	22,877	27,924	28,352
Non-Emergency Calls, Alarm and Front Desk Telephone Calls	17,734	15,845	19,452	22,916	21,906
All other Citizen Calls for Service and Officer Initiated Calls	40,294	41,182	42,322	37,654	71,038
Average 9-1-1 Call Answer Time	5.4 Seconds	5 Seconds	4.9 Seconds	5 Seconds	6 Seconds

Patrol Support Division

Top Five Calls for Service per Year

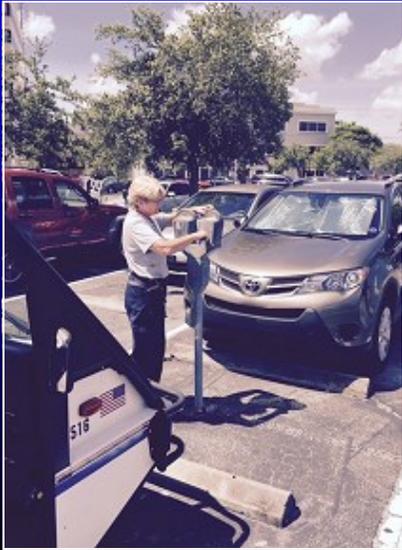


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Response Times (Priority Calls) Bradenton Police Department and Bradenton Fire Department	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Dispatch (Entered BPD Calls to Dispatch) Priority Calls	0.29 Seconds	0.18 Seconds	0.22 Seconds	.21 Seconds	.15 Seconds
Priority calls (BPD Patrol Dispatched to On-Scene)	0.55 Seconds	0.49 Seconds	0.55 Seconds	.62 Seconds	.39 Seconds
Dispatch (Entered BFD Calls to Dispatch) Priority Calls	1.16 Minutes	1.15 Minutes	1.08 Minutes	.73 Seconds	.55 Seconds
Priority calls (BFD Dispatched to On-Scene)	5.31 Minutes	5.34 Minutes	5.46 Minutes	5.11 Minutes	4.96 Minutes
Priorities 1 - 2 (Patrol Dispatched to On-Scene)	9.59 Minutes	10.64 Minutes	10.22 Minutes	10.92 Minutes	10.34 Minutes

Patrol Support Division

Parking Enforcement Unit



The Bradenton Police Department's Parking Enforcement Unit is staffed by (1) Parking Enforcement official (civilian) who enforces local ordinances and state laws within the City of Bradenton's time-regulated parking areas, and posted handicap spots, located throughout the City of Bradenton. In 2014, the Parking Enforcement Unit issued 4,314 parking tickets, which resulted in \$90,093.00 in revenue. The Parking Permit Income for the (4) City Parking Lots resulted in an income of \$55,120.00 and the collection from the Parking Meters throughout the City of Bradenton resulted in an income of \$77,344.83. Concluding, the total revenue collected by the Parking Enforcement Unit was \$222,557.83. In 2014, the City of Bradenton installed two Electronic Pay Stations in the City Parking Garage. Both Electronic Pay Stations accept credit cards.

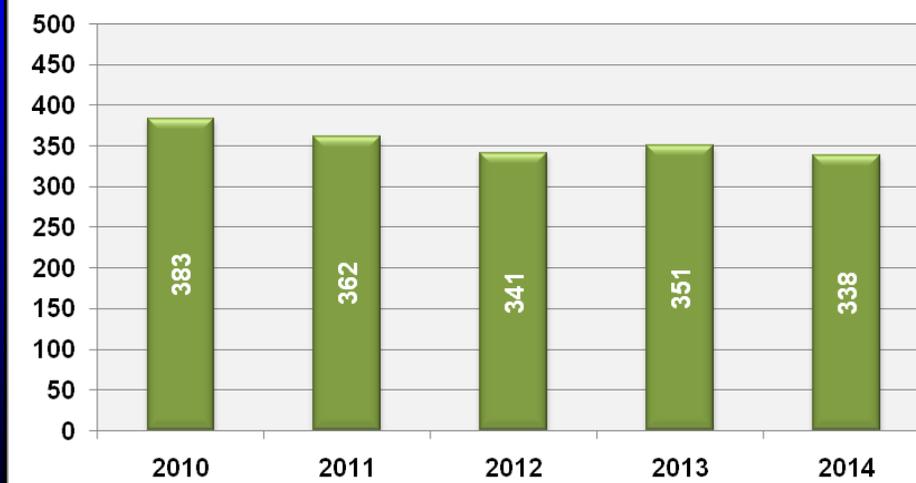
Records Unit

The Bradenton Police Department Records Unit is staffed by (3) Records Clerks and a Records Supervisor. The Records Unit is open Monday through Friday, 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., during which time citizens may request copies of police or traffic crash reports for a minimal charge in accordance with the State of Florida's fee schedule. The Records Unit clerks are responsible for editing all reports and entering the corrected information into the Department's Records Management System, so it may be accessed by other departmental personnel. The Records Supervisor is responsible for providing Semi-Annual and Annual Uniform Crime Reports (U.C.R.) to the Florida Department of Law Enforcement.

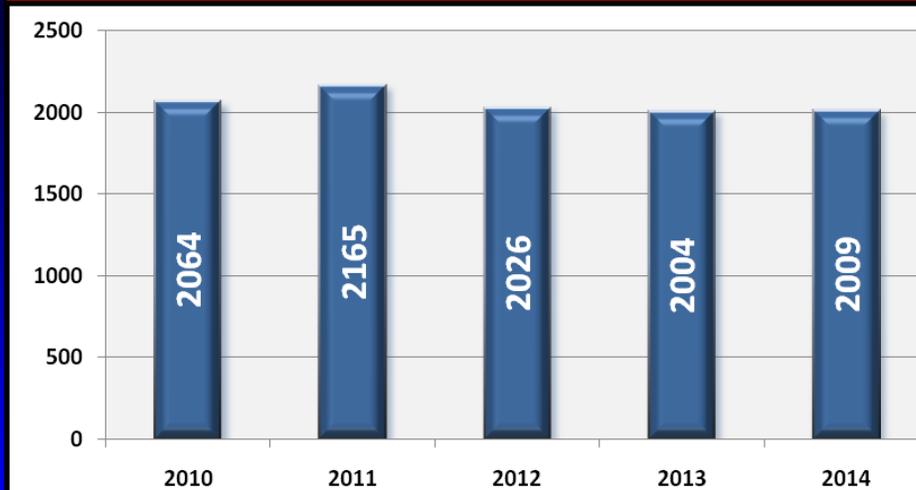
In 2013, the Records Unit processed over 17,000 documents through the Records Management System.

Patrol Support Division

Violent Crime Five Year Trend

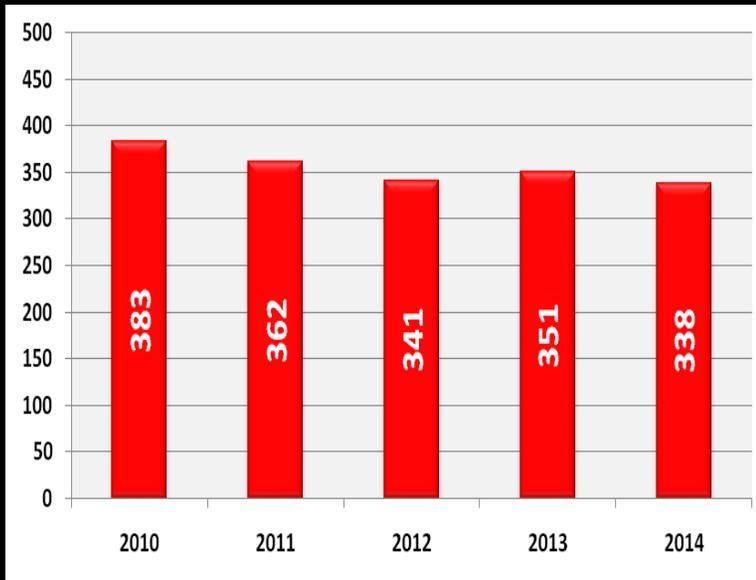


**Property Crimes Five Year Trend
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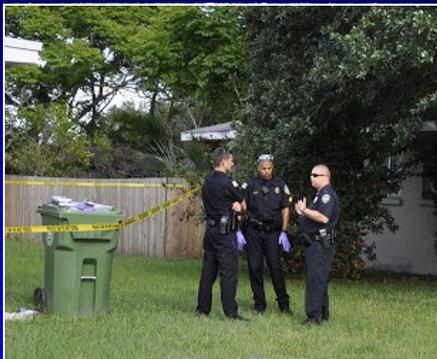
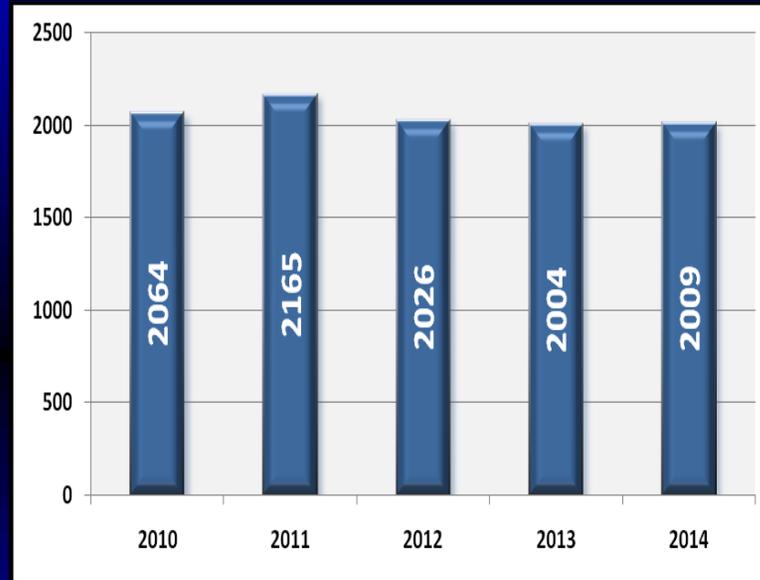


Patrol Support Division

Violent Crimes 5-Year Trend
(Homicide, Rape, Robbery, Aggravated Assault)



Property Crimes 5-Year Trend
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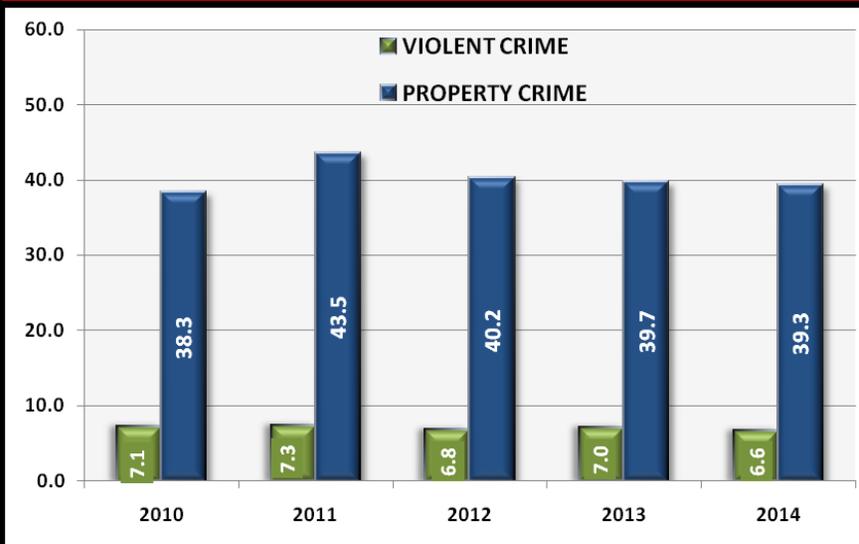


Patrol Support Division

	Percent			Percent			Percent			Percent		
CRIME	2010	2011	Change	2011	2012	Change	2012	2013	Change	2013	2014	Change
Homicide	0	1	100%	1	4	300.0%	4	9	125.0%	9	3	-66.7%
Rape	34	21	-38.2%	21	32	52.4%	32	19	-40.6%	19	26	36.8%
Robbery	114	79	-30.7%	79	94	19.0%	94	116	23.4%	116	71	-38.8%
Aggravated Assault	235	261	11.1%	261	211	-19.2%	211	207	-1.9%	207	238	15.0%
Burglary	530	584	10.2%	584	511	-12.5%	511	439	-14.1%	439	416	-5.2%
Larceny	1435	1486	3.6%	1486	1440	-3.1%	1440	1479	2.7%	1479	1515	2.4%
Motor Vehicle Theft	99	95	-4.0%	95	75	-21.1%	75	86	14.7%	86	78	-9.3%
Yearly Total	2447	2527	3.3%	2527	2367	-6.3%	2367	2355	-0.5%	2355	2347	-0.3%

Patrol Support Division

Five Year Crime Trend per 1,000 Population



Crimes per 1,000 Population

YEAR	VIOLENT	PROPERTY
2010	7.1	38.3
2011	7.3	43.5
2012	6.8	40.2
2013	7.0	39.7
2014	6.6	39.3

YEAR	ACCIDENT REPORTS	OFFICER REPORTS	ARRESTS PROCESSED	Percent Change in Arrests
2010	1506	9165	2626	-8.9% from 2009
2011	1291	8853	2264	-13.8% from 2010
2012	1375	8934	2239	-1.1% from 2011
2013	1319	8704	2360	+5.4% from 2012
2014	1458	8692	2379	+0.8% from 2013

Promotions, Retirements, and Recognition

Promotions in 2014

Lieutenant Brian Thiers
Lieutenant Jeremy Giddens
Lieutenant William Knight
Sergeant Anthony Ramdath
Sergeant Michael Kriebel
Sergeant Leonel Marines
Sergeant David Shenk

Officers of the Year 2014



Master Patrol Officer
Matthew Palmer



Master Patrol Officer
Jose Santos

Retirements in 2014



Sergeant
Curtis Johnson

Officer of the Month 2014

January - Officer Andres Perez & Detective Benjamin Pieper
February - Officer Steven Hogan
March - Officer Sergeant John Negrón & Officer Jeremy Telles
April - Master Patrol Officer Eleazar Garcia
May - Officer Steven Hogan
June - Sergeant Anthony Ramdath
July - Master Patrol Officer Matthew Palmer
August - Master Patrol Officer Jose Santos
September - Sergeant William Weldon & Master Patrol Officer Chris Hutchko
October - Officer Juan Vaquera-Torres & Officer Brandon Smolarz
November - Officer Lixa Moyett
December - Officer Lee Cosens



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